

# Quantities

## i. Choose the correct alternative to complete the text.

### What does your ringtone say about you?

Almost everyone now has a mobile phone and \_\_\_\_\_ of us have our own ringtone.

Is it only so that we can distinguish our own phone from others or is it because \_\_\_\_\_ time our phone rings we want to be able to say, 'Listen to that. That's me!?' Maybe \_\_\_\_\_ reasons are true. Here is a quick guide to \_\_\_\_\_ typical ringtones and what they say about their users.

- If your ringtone is \_\_\_\_\_ a hip hop tune or a current hit, then you are young at heart but not particularly original.

- \_\_\_\_\_ classic rock tune means you're probably over thirty but you know you're still cool.

- \_\_\_\_\_ people think annoying animal noises are as funny as the phones' owners obviously do. So \_\_\_\_\_ points for maturity there.

- You download a new one every month? You must be a teenager or you have \_\_\_\_\_ time and money.

- You never change it? Either you're too lazy or you don't know how. \_\_\_\_\_ is an acceptable reason!

## ii. The following statements contain errors. Rewrite the sentences so they're correct. There's only one error in each sentence.

**Use contractions, capital letters and punctuation marks.**

1. I watch very little sports programmes.

2. Every programmes have a commercial break every ten minutes.

3. The weekend schedules usually include few talent shows, at least three or four.

4. I like each programmes about hospitals or emergencies.
5. I once spent quite few days watching a box set of the series 24.
6. I think a large number of TV has been dumbed down.
7. We have plenty detective shows; we don't need more.
8. I think little news is OK but not 24-hour news non-stop.

**iii. Choose which statement a-b best describes each the sentence.**

- 1) There were a large number of people at the shopping centre today.
  - a) The station was crowded.
  - b) The station was empty.
- 2) There were hardly any people at the station.
  - a) The station was crowded.
  - b) The station was empty.
- 3) I haven't got much time for lunch today.
  - a) Let's go out for a three-course lunch.
  - b) Let's get a sandwich to eat in the office.
- 4) I haven't got many clients to see today.
  - a) Let's go out for a three-course lunch.
  - b) Let's get a sandwich to eat in the office.
- 4) She said she's having very few problems.
  - a) She hasn't been having a very easy time recently.
  - b) She's been having a very enjoyable time recently.
- 5) She said she's having a few problems.
  - a) She hasn't been having a very easy time recently.
  - b) She's been having a very enjoyable time recently.

- 6) He knew hardly any English.
- a) He couldn't really understand what I said.
  - b) He could understand some of what I said.
- 7) He knew a small amount of English.
- a) He couldn't really understand what I said.
  - b) He could understand some of what I said.